

**REMARKS**

Claims 2-19, 21 and 22 are pending in the application. Claim 12 is amended in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. This indication of allowable subject matter is noted with appreciation. Claims 2, 5, 6 and 11 and 13-18 are amended to depend on pending claims. Claims 1, 20 and 23 are withdrawn from consideration without any prejudice or disclaimer. FIG. 4 and the specification are amended solely to obviate the objection to the drawings. None of the aforementioned amendments introduce any new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §132 and are solely made to be in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter.

**OBJECTION TO THE DRAWINGS**

In the outstanding Office Action there was an objection to the drawings. It is stated in the Office Action that the drawings contain reference numbers not described in the specification. It is further stated that reference signs 52 and 54 should be placed outside the filters and have an arrow pointing towards the filters. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

The specification has been reviewed and amended to obviate the objection. No new matter has been introduced by these amendments.

With respect to reference sign 78, it is respectfully submitted that the specification adequately describes this reference sign in paragraph 74.

With respect to reference signs 52 and 54, the drawings have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions.

In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

### **CLAIM OBJECTIONS**

There was an objection to claims 5 and 23. It is stated in the Office Action that claim 5 references a reflector assembly not identified in claims 3, 2 or 1, and that claim 23 references “the filter elements” not identified earlier in the claim. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection are respectfully requested.

Claim 5 is amended to depend on claim 4 in accordance with the Examiner’s suggestion. Claim 23 is cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Therefore it is respectfully submitted that the objection is moot.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of the objection to the claims is respectfully requested.

### **CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)**

Claims 1, 2, 6-8, 11, 13-15, 18 and 20-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b). Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested. The claims in this application have been amended in accordance with the Examiner’s indication of allowable subject matter. Namely, independent claims 1, 20 and 23 have been cancelled, claim 12 has been amended to be in independent form and the dependent claims amended to depend on independent claim 12. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 is moot. In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

**CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)**

Claims 3-5, 9 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested. The claims in this application have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. Namely, independent claims 1, 20 and 23 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, claim 12 has been amended to be in independent form and the dependent claims amended to depend on independent claim 12. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 is now moot. In light of the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.


**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. If it is believed that the application is not in condition for allowance, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact undersigned if it is believed that such contact will expedite the prosecution of the application.

In the event this paper is not time filed, Applicant petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2036.

Respectfully submitted,

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